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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

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Hongkong, 17th September, 1891. 118

BIRTH.

On the 12th October, at Macao, Peak Road, the

wife of GEORGE B. COX, of a son. 1890

MARRIAGE.

On the 10th October, at St. George's, by the Rev.

J. Forrest, Esq., and afterwards at the Church, Amy,

by the Rev. John Macgregor, Esq., of the bride

FRANCIS CARR, to FLORENCE MACGREGOR. 1890

DEATHS.

At Wanchow, on the 10th September, JAMES C.

GILMAN, aged 24 years, of the Chinese Island Mission

School, on the 1st October, GEORGE JAMES GILMAN,

only child of the above, aged 2 years and 9 months.

The Daily Press

HONGKONG, OCTOBER 13th, 1891.

Our recent comments on the absence of

the Northern Squadron from the Yangtze

at the moment when its presence there

might have quelled the riots and reduced

the turbulent populations of the delta to

order have been fully justified by the course

of events. The Viceroy of China missed his

opportunity of rendering national service

with his fleet, and has consequently allowed

foreign Powers to assume the airs of dictators

to the Chinese Government. Did the dispo-

sition of the fleet admit of being summed

up in this simple proposition, no good de-

fence could be made of LI HUNG-CHANG'S

action. But his motives, which were clearly

not to bring a war into China, have been rendered

clear by the sequel. He dared not, or did not

wish to, ruffle the feathers of the great

Viceroy of the Yangtze by

poaching on their domain; and he shares

the reluctance of every Chinese official who

has ever lived to mix up his name with any

popular outbreak. By no act does a man-

darin draw down on himself the perpetual

execration of the people no much as by any

interference with them for the protection of

foreigners, and Li HUNG-CHANG naturally

preferred to escape the odium.

But it is often observed that luck befriends

the Chinese in all emergencies, turning even

the things they do stupidly into sources of

gratulation. The Chinese fleet which was

sent to Japan in order to be out of the way

served a most important national purpose

there. Not only did the courtesies and juba-

lations with which their appearance in Japa-

nese waters was met serve to draw closer

the bond of sympathy between China and

Japan, but the presence of the ships made

so profound an impression on the Japanese

as to make the Chinese feel very proud.

The Japanese papers from the day the ships

anchored in the first Japanese port till the

end of their cruise never ceased to extol the

merits of the Chinese squadron, and never

ceased drawing close comparisons between

their own ships, very much to the disad-

vantage of the latter. Thus the visit of

Admiral Togo's Squadron has been the

means of stirring up the naval zeal of the

Japanese, and of allowing immense outlay

pressure to be brought on the Government

to increase the strength of the fleet until

it is at least equal to that of China.

Slopes have already, we understand, been

taken to add to the Japanese navy a couple

of ironclads on the lines of those built for

the Chinese at Settsu; and the visit of a

Japanese Admiral recently to the Northern

ports was most probably in connection with

the business.

The Chinese fleet, moreover, made a

deep political impression on the Japanese,

the evidence of which may be seen in the

subsidence of the Chauvinist spirit which

too much characterizes Young

Japan. They seem to have discovered

that China is after all a country to be

reckoned with, and their tone in regard

to questions where the interest or prestige

of the two countries clashes has been

markedly more subdued than it was before

the visit of the Pui Yang Squadron. As an

example may be cited the recent trouble at

Quelpart between the Japanese and Korean

fishermen. Such an affair, had it happened

but a few months ago, would have roused the

Jingo spirit to a white heat, whereas now

journalists and politicians alike accept with

the docility of lambs the fact that China re-

quires to be consulted in Korean affairs. It

is not pleasant, we may be sure, for our

neighbours to be so sage, but that it is

wholesome for the nation and strengthening

for the Government can hardly be doubted;

and as the Chinese themselves must now

realize the great influence which a naval

force exercises on international politics, we

may take it that a new and potent factor

has been introduced into the affairs of the

Far East.

We have received the first number of the

Kobe Chronicle, issued on the 2nd inst.

There were 2,010 visitors to the City Hall

Museum last week, of whom 189 were Euro-

peans. The steamer Colofin has been chartered by

the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha to carry coals from

Nagasaki to Hongkong for 6 months.

The British steamer was expected to leave

Hakodate on the 29th ult. for a trip to Korea,

returning to Japan in about a fortnight.

It is stated by the Kobe Kai that the silver

grain struck by the 10th ult. for the Hong-

kong and Shanghai bank, and handed over to

the Bank at a recent date, was to the value of

\$375,000.

From Nanking the Daily News correspondent

writes under date the 2nd inst. that it was re-

ported that the Viceroy has been ordered to

Peking, but what the business was was not

stated. Some of the Manchus brought up from

Chinkiang were to be executed. All was quiet

outwardly at Nanking.

The Band of the 1st A. and S. Highlanders

will play the following programmes at the Officers'

Mess this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock:—

"March." "The British Grenadiers." "The

Valse." "The Marchioness." "The

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The Zak is the name this morning. H.M.S.

Leader is to accompany her.

The crew that is to battle for Hongkong in

the Kobe Regatta has their flag practice last

night, when they took a spin over the water.

Two French crews picked up at the

V.R.C. They landed winners with something

about six lengths in hand.

A painfully sudden death occurred at the

Hongkong Club yesterday morning. Mr. Bond,

Steward to the Club, was out, apparently in

his usual health, about 10 o'clock and within half

an hour afterwards was found dead in his bed.

It is surmised that death resulted from poisoning.

A post mortem examination, which is likely to

be followed by a magisterial enquiry, will be

held to-morrow.

We have (says the Daily News) no fear of

trouble in Shanghai, whatever happens, but it

should not be forgotten that there are a large

number of Hunan troops in the camp round the

club, and we learn that it is currently reported in

one of these camps that the quiet here is not to last,

and that "a man" is coming who will lead the

Hunan men; whether, or not, is not explicitly stated.

The French cruiser Villars arrived at Nagasaki

from Yunnan on the 4th inst. and was

followed by the flag-ship Ishikawa on the 5th.

The latter vessel has been ordered to

Windsor; and it is in need of repairs, but the

dock at Nagasaki, the Rising Sun says, will not

be disengaged for the port three months, which

will necessitate her going either to Yokohama

or Hongkong for docking.

What rubbish disfigurement among the natives

will be the following from the Hap-pan:—

"There is a rumour current in Foochow that the

insurgents in the Tientsin district are assisted

by a young man, who is said to be a native of

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is entitled to, and that the Chinese people

are entitled to know the truth about the

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man below the belt. This is what, I submit, is

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